

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1640**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : James B. Dale
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For : GROUP A STREPTOCOCCAL VACCINES

Examiner : Sarvamangala J.N. Devi, Ph.D.
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.116 AND 1.121

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2007, please extend the time for response one (1) month to expire on April 4, 2008. A Petition for Extension of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.